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#### Dear Examiner Bello:

In response to the office action mailed June 28, 2007 enclosed please find the following:

- 1. Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Mailing under 37 CFR 1.10 dated September 28, 2007 (2 pages);
- 2. Amendment AF (15 pages);
- 3. Request for Continued Examination RCE (1 page); and
- 4. Credit Card payment form 2038 in the amount of \$395.00 (1 page).

Very respectfully,

Ronald E. Smith

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# CENTRAL FAX CENTER

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Applicant:

: Dennis K. Killinger

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: Open-Path/Free Space Optical Communication System and

Method Using Reflected or Backscattered Light

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#### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

#### **STATUS**

2. Applicant is an independent inventor.

#### **EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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(37 C.F.R. 1.8 (a))

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4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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No additional fee for claims is required.

Very respectfully,

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